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SCOPE OF WORK

1. Purpose

Final Agreement will incorporate by reference the complete terms of the RFA and the selected Contractor's application, plus any additional terms deemed necessary by CSD to ensure the timely performance of each deliverable described in the RFA.

Time is of the essence in the performance of this Agreement.

2. Contractor agrees to perform the activities and deliver the products described in Exhibit A, Section 1 in accordance with all applicable federal and state law and regulations, and as those laws and regulations may be amended from time to time, including but not limited to, pursuant to the following:

- A. The Community Services Block Grant Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9901 et seq., and 45 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 96;
- B. The California Community Services Block Grant Program, Government Code §§ 12725 et seq., and Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR), §§ 100601 et seq.; and
- C. The Single Audit Act, 31 U.S.C. §§ 7301 et seq., and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 and its appendices and supplements.

3. Even though the federal Community Services Block Grant Act exempts Contractor and its subcontractors from many federal administrative requirements and standards to promote State and local efficiency, the federal government directs the State to establish fiscal control and fund accounting procedures regarding CSBG funds. Federal law also directs the State to ensure that the cost and accounting standards of the Office of Management Budget (OMB) apply to recipients of CSBG funds. Therefore, Contractor agrees to apply all of the requirements, standards and guidelines contained in the following authorities, as they may be amended from time to time, to all of the procurement, administrative and other costs claimed under this Agreement, including those costs under subcontracts to this Agreement, notwithstanding any language contained in the following authorities that might otherwise exempt Contractor from their applicability. To the extent that the requirements, standards or guidelines directly conflict with any State law or regulation at Government Code §§ 12725 et seq. or 22 CCR §§ 100601 et seq., or any specific provision of this Agreement, then that law or regulation or provision shall apply instead:

- A. OMB Circular A-102 (Common Rule for State and Local Governments), as codified by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) at 45 CFR Part 92;

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- B. OMB Circular A-110 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals and other Non-Profit Organizations), as codified by HHS at 45 CFR Part 74;
- C. OMB Circular A-87 (Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments);
- D. OMB Circular A-122 (Cost Principles for Non-Profit Organizations).

The Federal Catalog Domestic Assistance Number for this grant is 93.569.

- 4. The Contractor's principal project representative(s) during the term of this Agreement will be:
- 5. The Term of this Agreement shall be from the date of Execution of this Agreement until sixty (60) days later.
- 6. Notwithstanding any termination language in federal or state law and regulation governing these CSBG funds, because time is of the essence in the performance of this Agreement, either CSD or the Contractor may terminate this Agreement upon fifteen (15) days written notice to the other Party and upon good cause. In the event Contractor terminates the Agreement, the total amount allocated and advanced to Contractor under this Agreement shall be repaid immediately to CSD. In the event CSD terminates the Agreement, the total amount allocated and advanced to Contractor, minus the amounts expended for activities performed or products delivered, shall be repaid immediately to CSD.

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BUDGET DETAIL AND PAYMENT PROVISIONS

1. Payment

As an administrative convenience, CSD will issue a single advance payment in the amount of fifty percent (50%) of the total contract amount. Contractor shall submit expenditure reports for the advance and for the contract amount balance, including a final report on deliverables, such as the Needs Assessment final report, as mandated by the Request for Application – Scope of Work/Deliverables and Application Narrative, and Program Budget (made part of this contract by reference). The total payments shall be subject to documentation of expenditures as required by applicable federal and state law and regulation, OMB Guidelines, and this agreement.

2. State Budget Contingency

- A. It is mutually agreed that if the Budget Act of the current year and/or any subsequent years covered under this Agreement does not appropriate sufficient funds for the program, this Agreement shall be of no further force and effect. In this event, the State shall have no liability to pay any funds whatsoever to Contractor or to furnish any other considerations under this Agreement and Contractor shall not be obligated to perform any provisions of this Agreement.
- B. If funding for any fiscal year is reduced or deleted by the Budget Act for purposes of this program, the State shall have the option to either cancel this Agreement with no liability occurring to the State, or offer an agreement amendment to Contractor to reflect the reduced amount.
- C. Should the Department receive official notice that only partial Federal funding amounts for any second year interval are available, the Contractor will be notified by the Department on the limitations of spending the consideration stated in the Agreement.

3. Federal Budget Contingency

- A. It is mutually understood that this Agreement may have been written before ascertaining the availability of Congressional appropriation of funds, for the mutual benefit of both Parties, in order to avoid program and fiscal delays that would occur if this Agreement were executed after that determination was made.
- B. This Agreement is valid and enforceable only if sufficient funds are made available to the State by the United States Government for the purposes of this Program. In addition, this Agreement is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, or conditions enacted by the Congress or any statute enacted by the

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Congress that may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this Agreement in any manner.

- C. It is mutually agreed that if the Congress does not appropriate sufficient funds for this Program, this Agreement shall be amended to reflect any such reduction in funds.
- D. The State has the option to invalidate this Agreement under the 30-day cancellation clause or to amend this Agreement to reflect any such reduction in funds.

4. Reporting Requirements

- A. Contractor shall complete and submit to the State an itemized report of actual expenditures and reports as mandated by the Request for Application – Scope of Work/Deliverables and Application Narrative, and Program Budget (made part of this contract by reference).

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PLEASE NOTE: This Exhibit is not included with the final Agreement. The General Terms and Conditions are included in the Agreement by reference to Internet site: www.csd.ca.go.

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SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Certifications

A. Contractor's signature affixed hereon shall constitute a certification that to the best of its ability and knowledge it will, unless exempted, comply with the provisions set forth in the following:

- 1) Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (Contract Certification Clause (CCC-1005)
- 2) National Labor Relations Board Certification (CCC-1005)
- 3) Union Organizing (CCC-1005)
- 4) Expatriate Corporations (CCC-1005)
- 5) Domestic Partners (CCC-1005)
- 6) Amendment for Change of Agency Name (CCC-1005)
- 7) Resolution (CCC-1005)
- 8) Air or Water Pollution Violation (CCC-1005)
- 9) Information Integrity and Security (Department of Finance, Budget Letter 04-35)

For detailed explanation for each of the above certifications, see www.csd.ca.gov.

B. Contractor hereby certifies to the best of its knowledge that it or any of its officers:

- 1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.
- 2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this Agreement been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.

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- 3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph 2 of this certification.
- 4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this Agreement had one or more public (federal, state, or local) transactions terminated for cause or default.

C. Specific Assurances

- 1) Pro-Children Act of 1994

This Agreement incorporates by reference all provisions set forth in Public Law 103-227, Part C - Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act).

- 2) American-Made Equipment/Products

Contractor shall assure, pursuant to Public Law 103-333, Section 507, to the extent practicable, that all equipment and products purchased with funds made available under this Agreement shall be American made.

- 3) Contract Administration

This Agreement incorporates by reference all provisions set forth in the Child Support Services and Referrals (Section 675G(B) 1998 CSBG Reauthorization Act).

For detailed explanation for each of the above Assurances, see www.csd.ca.gov.

D. Nondiscrimination Compliance

- 1) Contractor's signature affixed hereon shall constitute a certification that to the best of its ability and knowledge will, unless exempted, comply with the nondiscrimination program requirements set forth in this Section.
- 2) Contractor hereby certifies compliance with the following
 - a. Federal Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, relating to equal employment opportunity.
 - b. Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.
 - c. Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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- d. Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1972, as amended.
- e. Title 41, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Chapter 60, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor, as amended.
- f. Public Law 101-336, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

For detailed explanation for each of the above documents, see www.csd.ca.gov.

2. Special Conditions for Entities Not Meeting Terms of the Agreement

- A. In addition to the State's authority to terminate or suspend funding or deny refunding under State law and regulation, the State has authority to set fiscal control and fund accounting procedures to fulfill the State's oversight responsibilities and ensure that CSBG funds are appropriately expended. Thus, notwithstanding the express exception in 45 CFR Part 92 as applied to the CSBG Program, the State hereby incorporates by reference 45 CFR Part 92.12 and may impose special conditions according to that section on Contractor for unsatisfactory performance of the requirements, standards, and guidelines of this Agreement.
- B. Contractor shall ensure that requirements set forth in this Agreement are submitted in a timely manner and corrective action plans are adhered to. In the event that prescribed timelines are not met or corrective action is not taken, CSD shall withhold advance or subsequent payments.

3. Internal Control Certification

Contractor shall ensure the establishment and maintenance of a system of internal accounting and administrative control. This responsibility includes documenting the system, communicating system requirements to employees, and assuring that the system is functioning as prescribed and is modified, as appropriate, for changes in conditions. The system of internal accounting and administrative control shall include:

- A. Segregation of duties appropriate to safeguard state assets.
- B. Limited access to agency assets to authorized personnel who require these assets in the performance of their assigned duties.
- C. Authorization and recordkeeping procedures adequate to provide effective accounting controls over assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures.
- D. Practices to be followed in performance of duties and functions.

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- E. Personnel of a quality commensurate with their responsibilities.
- F. Effective internal review.

4. Audit Reports

- A. Funds provided under this Agreement shall be included in an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular A-133 for nonprofit and public agencies, standards promulgated by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), and those standards included in "Government Auditing Standards, 1994 Revision, as amended.
- B. The financial and compliance audit shall contain the following supplementary financial information: A combined statement of revenue and expenditures for each contract that presents, by budget line item, revenue and expenditures for the contract or audit period.

5. Auditing Standards

Contractor must follow all audit requirements as set forth in OMB Circular A-133 and CSD Supplemental Audit Guide. The Supplemental Audit Guide may be accessed at www.csd.ca.gov.

6. Subcontracts (CSD)

Contractor may enter into subcontract(s) to perform applicable provisions of this Agreement. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that all activities delegated to subcontractors are in support of this Agreement. As defined in CSBG Federal Law 42 USC 9910, subcontractors are not considered eligible entities and thus not subject to tripartite board or other specific requirements unique to eligible entities.

- A. Contractor shall provide written notification to the State within 15 calendar days of execution of each subcontractor agreement with the name of the subcontractor entity, its address, telephone number, contact person, contract amount, and program/administrative description of each subcontractor activity to be performed under this Agreement.
- B. Contractor shall immediately notify all of its subcontractor(s) in writing within five days of such action in the event the State suspends, terminates, and/or makes changes to the services to be performed under this Agreement.
- C. Contractor is the responsible party and shall remain liable for the performance of the terms, conditions, assurances, and certifications of this Agreement, without recourse to the State, regarding the settlement and satisfaction of all contractual

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and administrative issues arising out of subcontract agreement(s) entered into in support of this Agreement, including disputes, claims, or other matters of a contractual nature as well as civil liability arising out of negligence or intentional misconduct of the subcontractor(s).

- D. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall create any contractual relation between the State and any subcontractors, and no subcontract shall relieve the Contractor of its responsibilities and obligations hereunder. Contractor agrees to be as fully responsible to the State for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by any of them as it is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the Contractor. The Contractor's obligation to pay its subcontractors is an independent obligation from the State's obligation to make payments to the Contractor. As a result, the State shall have no obligation to pay or to enforce the payment of any moneys to any subcontractor.

7. Travel/Per Diem

- A. Contractor's total travel for in-state and/or out-of-state and per diem costs shall be included in the contract Budget(s). Out-of-state travel costs that exceed the budgeted amount shall not be reimbursed without prior written authorization from CSD.
- B. Contractor's employee travel costs and per diem reimbursement rates shall be reimbursed as allowed pursuant to OMB Circular A-87 Section 43 or OMB Circular A-122 section 51 as applicable, and based on the Contractor's acceptable, written travel policy, or, in the absence of such policy, not to exceed Federal per diem requirements.
- C. In absence of a travel policy, Contractor shall defer to the rules and regulations established in the California Code of Regulations Section 599.615 through 599.638 and be reimbursed in accordance with the definitions, terms and provisions contained therein.

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8. Procurement

A. Contract Administration

- 1) Contractors shall administer this Agreement in accordance with all federal and state rules and regulations governing CSBG pertaining to procurement, including Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars and amendments thereto, consistent with the general OMB compliance requirement in Exhibit B to this Agreement. Contractors shall establish, maintain, and follow written procurement procedures consistent with the procurement standards in OMB Circulars A-102 and A-110 and all additional provisions in this Agreement, including but not limited to a code of conduct for the award and administration of contracts and a procedure that provides, to the maximum extent practical, open and free competition.
- 2) Contractor shall not permit any organizational conflicts of interest or noncompetitive practices that may restrict or eliminate competition or otherwise restrain trade. In order to ensure objective subcontractor performance and eliminate unfair competitive advantage, individuals, or firms that develop or draft specifications, requirements, statements of work, invitations for bids, and/or requests for proposals shall be excluded from competing for such procurements. Contractor shall award any subcontract to the bidder or offeror whose bid or offer is responsive to the solicitation and is most advantageous to Contractor when considering price, quality, and other factors. Contractor's solicitations shall clearly set forth all requirements that the bidder or offeror shall fulfill in order for the bid or offer to be evaluated by the recipient.
- 3) Contractor assures that all supplies, materials, equipment, or services purchased or leased with funds provided by this Agreement shall be used solely for the activities allowed under this Agreement, unless a fair market value for such use is charged to the benefiting program and credited to this Agreement.
- 4) In addition to adhering to all OMB requirements and the Contractor's established procedures for all procurement transactions of any amount, for each purchase, lease, or subcontract for any articles, supplies, equipment, or services obtained from vendors or subcontractors where the per-unit cost exceeds \$5,000, three competitive quotations shall be obtained or adequate justification documented and maintained as to the absence of bidding. In cases of a bona fide emergency where awarding a subcontract is necessary for the immediate preservation of public health, welfare, or safety, documentation of the emergency will be sufficient in lieu of the three-bid process.

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- 5) To ensure that significant procurement transactions are conducted in an open and freely competitive manner, Contractor shall comply with one of the following requirements at Contractor's election:
 - a. Contractor shall submit for CSD's review and approval the written procurement procedures developed pursuant Section 9. A. 1) above. Upon receipt of the procedures, CSD will review them for substantial conformity with the OMB procurement guidelines and the three-bid requirement in Section 8. A. 4. above. Within thirty (30) days of receipt, CSD will provide either written approval of the procedures, or specific recommendations for amendment of the procedures. Approval shall not be withheld unreasonably; or
 - b. Absent CSD's written approval of the procurement procedures, Contractor shall prepare and submit a Request for Purchase/Lease Pre-Approval (CSD 558) to CSD at least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to executing the subcontract for each of the following procurement transactions:
 - i. Any articles, supplies, equipment or services having a per-unit cost in excess of \$5,000; or
 - ii. Any articles, supplies or equipment where the total contract amount exceeds \$100,000.
- 6) Noncompliance with any of the provisions in this Section 9. shall result in a disallowance of the costs of the procurement transaction.
- 7) Contractor assures that it shall exercise due care in the use, maintenance, protection, and preservation of state-owned property in Contractor's possession or any other property or equipment procured by Contractor with State funds. Such care shall include, but is not limited to, the following:
 - a. Maintaining insurance coverage against loss or damage to such property or equipment.
 - b. Ensuring that the legal ownership of any motor vehicle or trailer is in the name of the Contractor.

B. Limitation on Use of Funds

Contractor shall assure that funds received under this Agreement shall not be used for the purchase or improvement of land or for the purchase, construction, or

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permanent improvement of any building or other facility other than low-income weatherization or energy-related home repairs.

9. Insurance and Fidelity Bond

A. General Requirements

- 1) By execution of this Agreement, Contractor agrees that the below-required insurance policies and bond shall be in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement.
- 2) Contractor shall provide the State with written notice at least 30 calendar days prior to cancellation or reduction of insurance coverage to an amount less than that required in this Agreement.
- 3) In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this Agreement, Contractor agrees to provide, at least 30 calendar days prior to said expiration date, a new Certificate of Insurance (ACORD 25) evidencing insurance coverage as provided for herein for not less than the remainder of the term of this Agreement. The Certificate of Insurance (ACORD 25) shall identify and name the State as the Certificate Holder.
- 4) New Certificates of Insurance are subject to review for content and form by CSD.
- 5) In the event Contractor fails to keep in effect at all times the specified insurance and bond coverage as herein provided, the State may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, suspend this Agreement.
- 6) With the exception of workers' compensation and fidelity bond, the State shall be named as additional insured on all certificates of insurance required under this Agreement.
- 7) The issuance of other CSD contracts, to include reimbursement payments, to the Contractor may be contingent upon required current insurance coverage being on file at CSD for this Agreement.

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B. Self-Insurance

- 1) When Contractor is a self-insured governmental entity, the State, upon satisfactory proof, may waive the appropriate insurance requirements upon written certification. An appropriate county or city risk manager shall sign this certification that shall contain assurance of the adequacy of the governmental entity's ability to cover any potential losses under this Agreement.
- 2) Contractor shall specify in writing a list of which coverage(s) will be self-insured under this Agreement and shall list all applicable policy numbers, expiration dates, and coverage amounts.
- 3) In the case that the Contractor's self-insurance coverage does not contain any changes from the prior year, CSD will accept a certified letter signed by authorized personnel; stating that no changes have occurred from the last year. This letter is due at the time of contract execution or within 30 days of expiration of insurance.
- 4) Should Contractor utilize a subcontractor(s) to provide services under this Agreement, Contractor shall indemnify and hold the State harmless against any liability incurred by that subcontractor(s).

C. Workers' Compensation Insurance

- 1) Contractor shall have and maintain for the term of this Agreement workers' compensation insurance issued by an insurance carrier licensed to underwrite workers' compensation insurance in the State of California.
- 2) Contractor shall submit either an applicable Certificate of Insurance (ACORD 25) or a Certificate of Consent to Self-Insure issued by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations to the State as evidence of compliance with the workers' compensation insurance requirement prior to issuance of an initial cash advance.

D. Fidelity Bond

- 1) Contractor shall maintain a fidelity bond in the minimum amount of four percent of the total amount of consideration set forth under this Agreement.
- 2) Contractor shall submit an applicable Certificate of Insurance (ACORD 25) to the State as evidence of compliance with the fidelity bond requirement prior to issuance of an initial cash advance.

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E. General Liability Insurance

- 1) Contractor shall have and maintain for the term of this Agreement general liability and property damage insurance for a combined single limit of not less than \$500,000 per occurrence.
- 2) Contractor shall submit an applicable Certificate of Insurance (ACORD 25), naming CSD as an additional insured, to the State as evidence of compliance with general liability insurance requirements prior to issuance of an initial cash advance.

F. Vehicle Insurance

- 1) Contractor shall have and maintain for the term of this Agreement vehicle insurance in the amount of \$500,000 for each person and each accident for bodily injury and in the amount of \$500,000 for each person and each accident for property damage.
- 2) When employees use their own vehicles to perform duties within the scope of their employment, Contractor shall have and maintain for the term of this Agreement nonowned and hired-auto liability insurance in the amount of \$500,000 for each person and each accident for bodily injury and \$500,000 for each person and each accident for property damage. (Driving to and from work is not within the scope of employment.)
- 3) Contractor shall submit an applicable Certificate of Insurance (ACORD 25), designating CSD as an additional insured, to the State as evidence of compliance with said vehicle insurance requirements prior to issuance of an initial cash advance.

10. Agreement Changes

A. Amendment

Formal Amendments are required for changes to the term, total cost, scope of work, and formal name changes. No amendment to this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing, signed by the parties and approved as required. No oral understanding or Agreement not incorporated in the Agreement is binding on any of the parties. CSD 425b, Justification for Contract Amendment/Modification, must be completed by Contractor's request to make changes to Attachment I or Attachment II.

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B. Modification

- 1) Changes involving alterations such as changes to program activities and/or delivery strategies will be considered modifications. A CSD 425b, Justification for Contract Amendment/Modification, must be completed by Contractor's request to make changes to Attachment I or Attachment II.
- 2) Please note that modifications to projected outcomes on the CSD 801 forms will not be allowed. In the event that projections will not be met, please provide a description of the circumstances. For further instruction please contact your Field Services Representative.
- 3) A modification to the projected budget is not required as long as the maximum amount payable does not change. Any increase to out-of-state travel costs or changes to major equipment purchases will require a modification.
- 4) If a Contractor intends to request a contract modification to modify Attachment I or Attachment II, justification shall be submitted on CSD 425b, Justification for Contract Amendment/Modification, no later than 15 calendar days prior to the expiration date of this Agreement.

11. Governing Board Resolution

Contractor assures that its governing body has adopted and passed a resolution specific to this Agreement that shall be forwarded to the State and that includes, at a minimum, the following provisions:

- A. Authorization for the submittal to the State of this Agreement, including all exhibits and assurances contained herein;
- B. The name and original signature of the chairperson of the board; the date signed by the chairperson; and, if applicable, the date the resolution was ratified by the board of directors;

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- C. Authorization to and identification of the person/position certified as the official representative of the governing board to sign and enter into this Agreement;
- D. Identification of the contract number and program; and
- E. Authorization to and identification of the person certified as the official representative of the governing board to enter into and accept any amendments to this Agreement and revisions to exhibits.